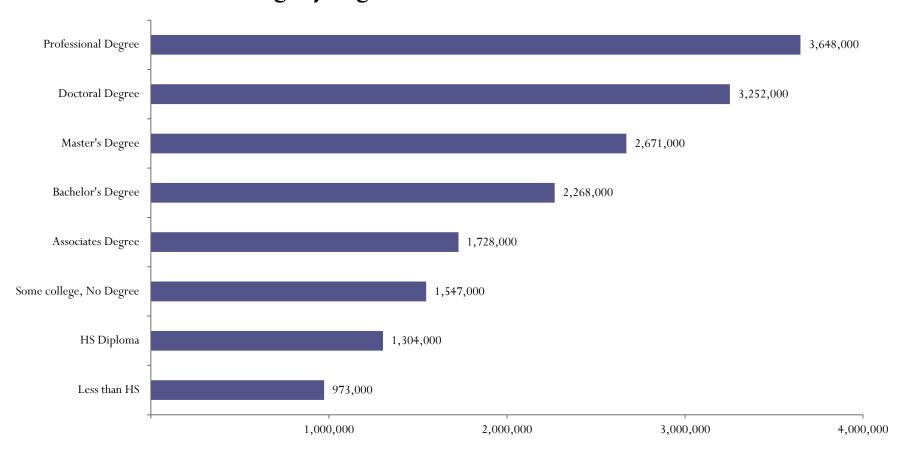
Education for What: The Rising Demand for Skill and the Decline of Manual Labor

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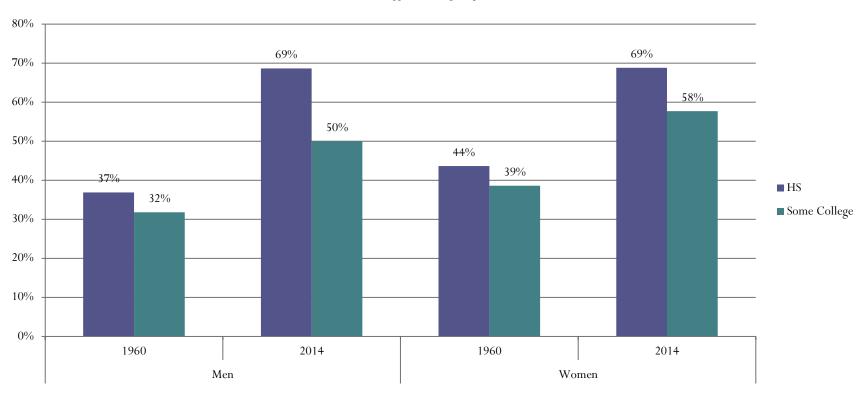
More Education Results in Higher Earnings

Lifetime Earnings by Highest Educational Attainment, 2009 Dollars



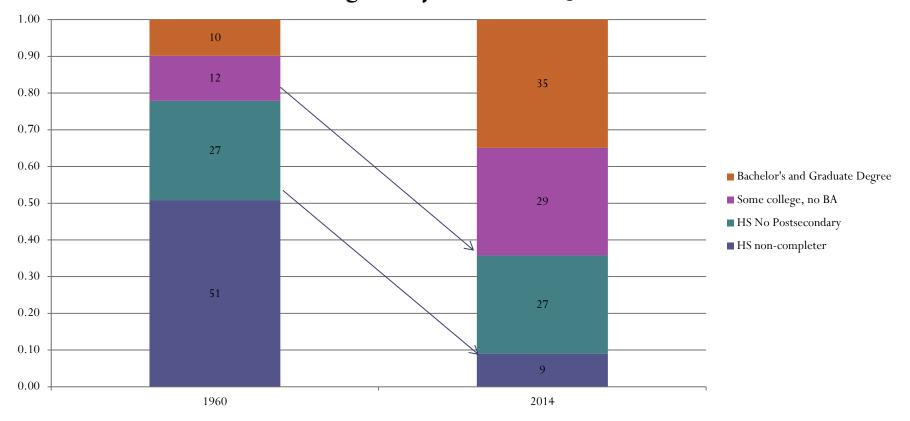
Returns to Getting a BA Have Increased over Tme

How Much More Workers with a Bachelor's Degree Earned Relative to Those with Less Education, White Men and Women, 1960 and 2014



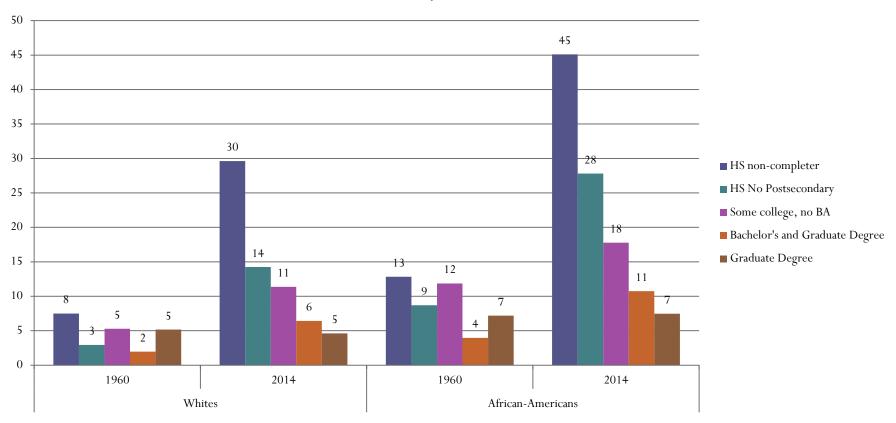
Many More Adults Have At Least Some Post-Secondary Education

Those with a HS Diploma Only Went from Being in the Third Quartile in 1960 to Being Mostly in the First Quartile in 2014



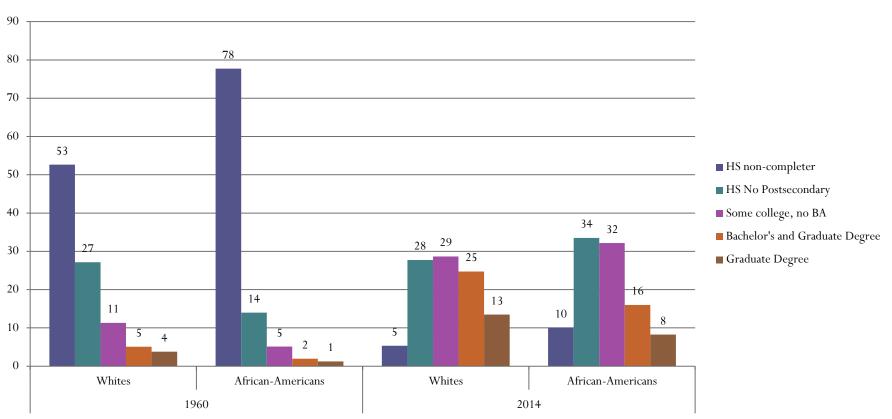
Rising Number of Males Out of the Labor Force, Especially for Those without a College Degree

Share of Males Aged 23-59 Out of Labor Force, Whites and African-Americans, 1960 and 2010



African-Americans Narrow Education Gap

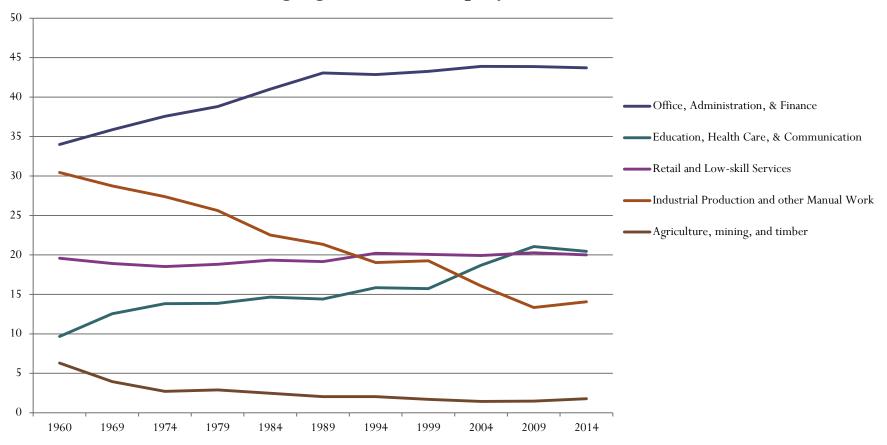
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The Economy Shifts Over Time

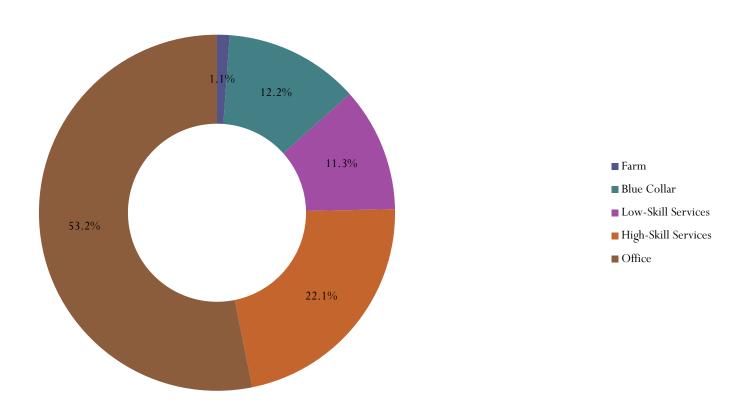
There has been a shifted from manufacturing to office work and high end services, areas that benefit more from greater skills associated with postsecondary education.

Changing Nature of Employment, 1960-2014



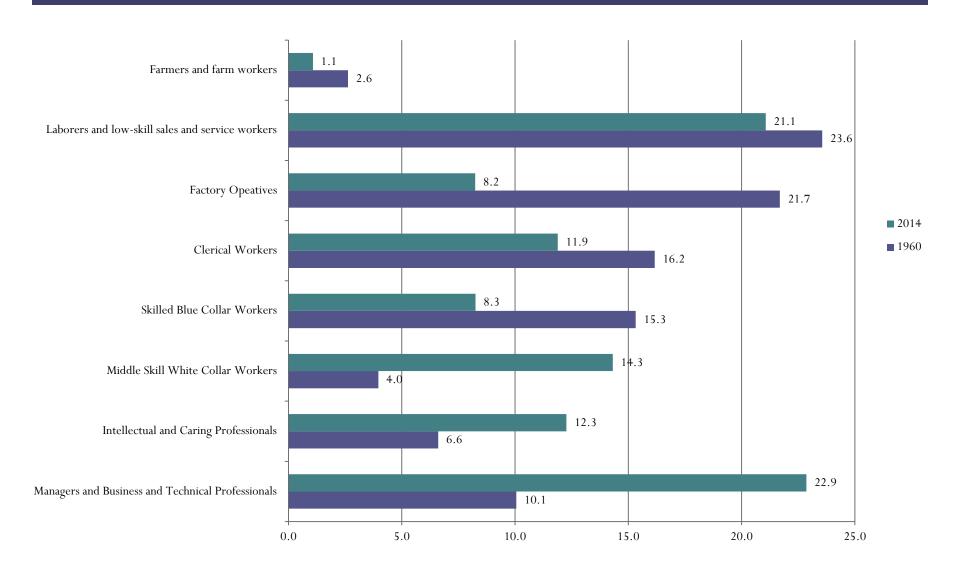
75% of Earnings Go to Office and High-Skill Workers

Share of Total Earnings by Functional Area, 2015



Changing Occupational Distribution

The Shift Away from Manual Jobs, 1960 to 2014



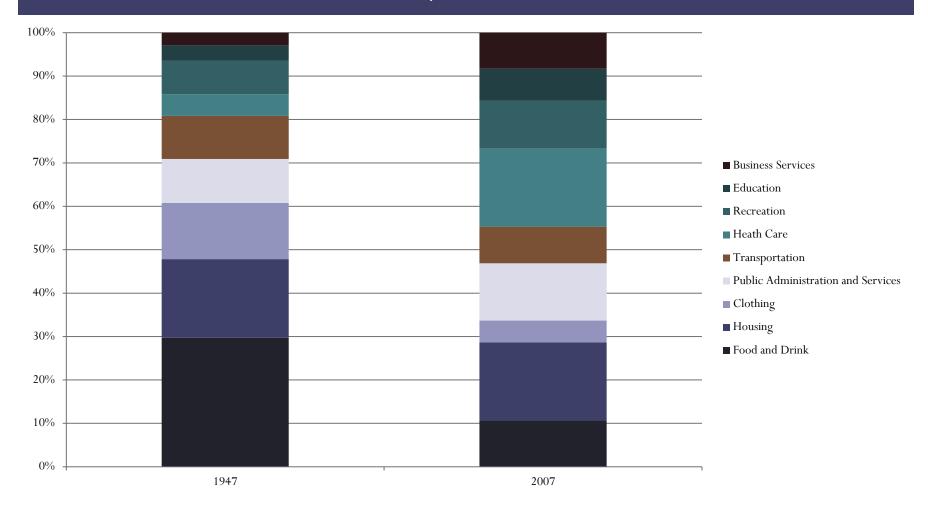
Understanding Structural Change by Deconstructing Value Chains over Time

Using Input-Output Tables to show complete "value chains"--the direct and indirect inputs needed to produce final output.

Technological change means that it takes a smaller share of our resources to produce common goods and services. For example, in 1947, food and clothing were 43% of what we consumed; the comparable figure in 2007 was 16%.

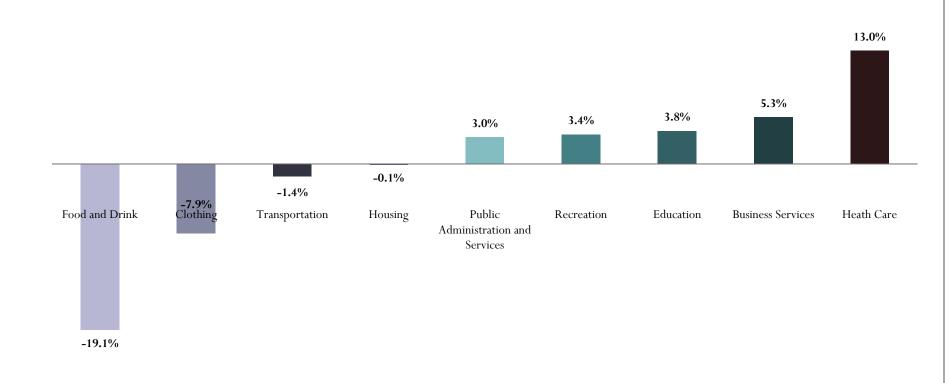
See "The Economy Goes to College," Georgetown Center on Education and the Workforce.

The Changing Composition of What We Consume, 1947 - 2007





Changing Shares by Type of Consumption, 1947-2007

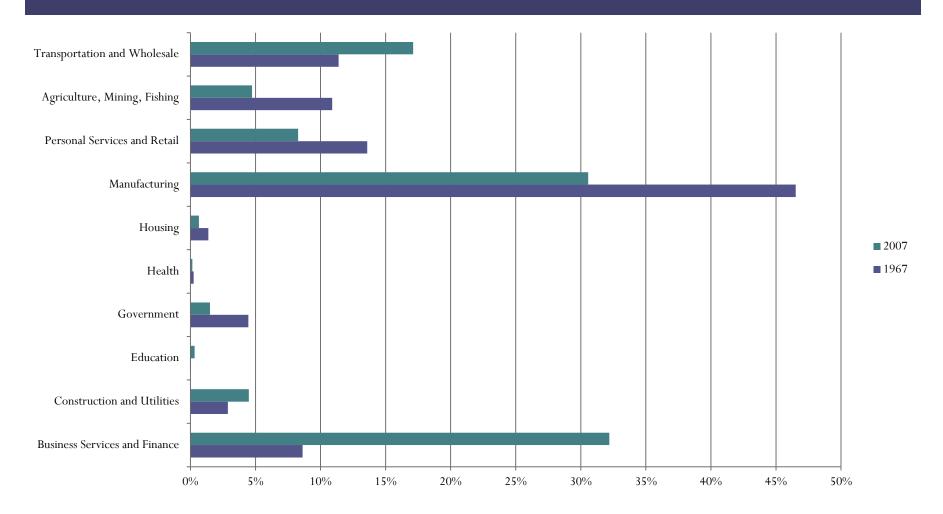




Changes in Value of Industry Outputs, 1967-2007

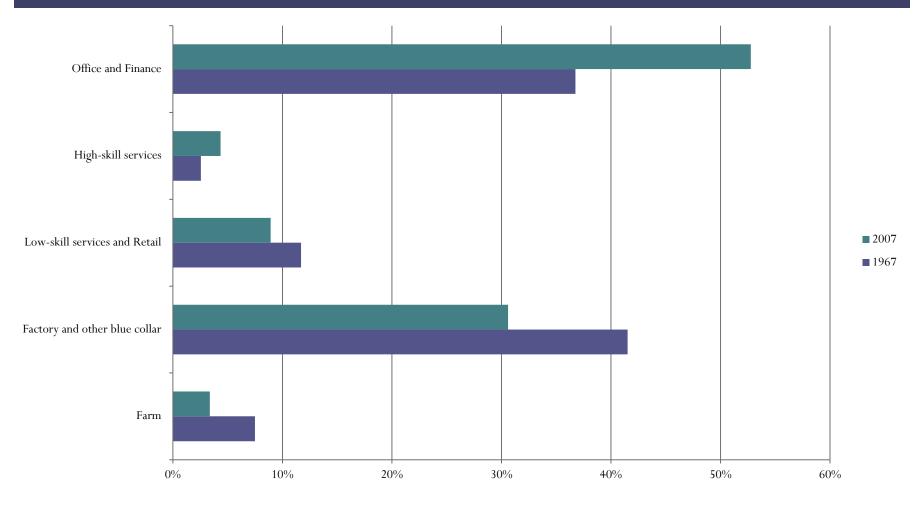
	1967	2007	Change
Business Services & Finance	11.7%	26.3%	14.5%
Health Care	4.0%	7.3%	3.2%
Government	3.3%	6.0%	2.7%
Housing	10.4%	11.1%	0.7%
Construction & Utilities	7.4%	7.7%	0.4%
Education	3.9%	4.2%	0.3%
Personal Services & Retail	12.3%	11.0%	-1.3%
Agriculture & Mining	5.0%	2.8%	-2.2%
Transportation & Wholesale	12.0%	7.8%	-4.2%
Manufacturing	29.9%	15.9%	-14.1%

Changing Industry Composition in Producing Exports, 1967 and 2007



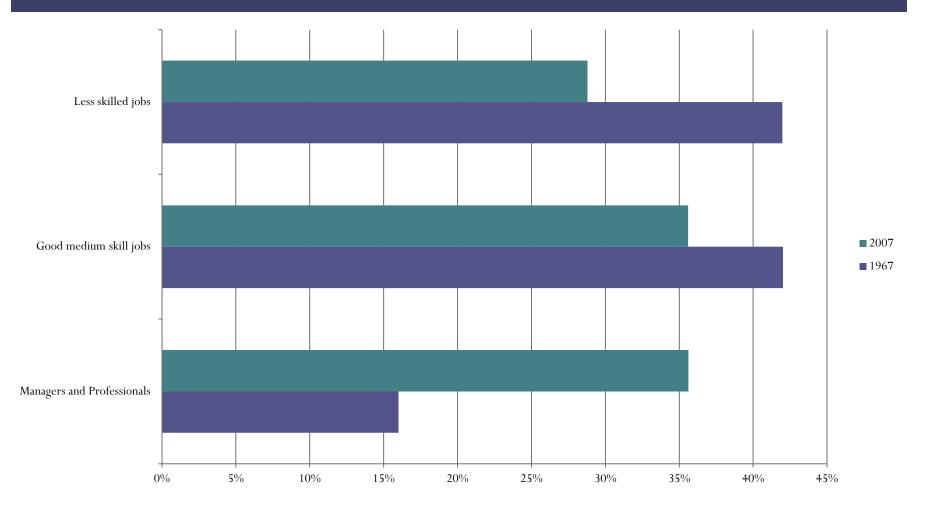


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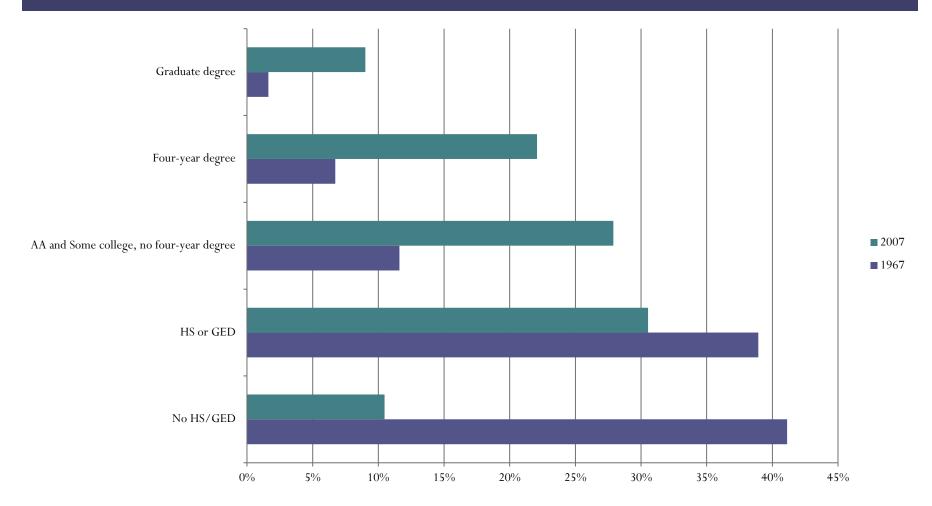




Changing Occupational Composition in Producing Exports, 1967-2007



Changing Educational Composition in Producing Exports, 1967-2007





Triple Whammy for Manual Workers

- First, final output has shifted from goods production (food, clothing, transportation) to services (health care, business services, and education).
- Second, within each activity, the industrial share of raw material and manufacturing industries needed to produce final output has declined: e.g., in 1967, 26% of the value of food and drink came from farming and food manufacturing industries; in 2007, the comparable figure was 13%.
- Third, within manufacturing industries (and all other industries), the share of production workers out of total employment has declined.